

**TOWN OF SOMERS
PRISON LIAISON/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 26, 2011
7:30 p.m.
Downstairs Town Hall Conference Room**

MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chairman Robert Minch at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Minch, Raymond LaFlamme, Ned Lynch, Charles Colby, Lincoln Pease, Osborn CI Warden Carol Chapdelaine, Northern CI Warden Ed Maldonado, Willard /Cybulski CI Warden John Tarascio, Captain Joseph Carlone of the DOC (Guest).

MEMBERS ABSENT: District Administrator Michael Lajoie, Jerry Young.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion to accept the minutes of the July 27, 2011 meeting was carried. (Pease/ Chapdelaine)

OLD BUSINESS:

- Charles Colby asked for an update on the repairing of the pot holes on Bilton Road. Warden Tarascio said he sent a letter to the Town of Enfield but has not received a response.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Several board members reported having received a DOC notification stating that the conditions at Osborn CI had returned to normal. Having not received the front end of the call stating what the initial disruption was, the call was confusing. Warden Chapdelaine explained that Osborn had experienced a small fire. Fire departments from Somers, Enfield, and East Longmeadow responded. An explanation as to why the initial call was not made was not given.
- Chairman Minch informed the Board that Anthony Liquori had submitted his resignation from the Board. Chairman Minch reminded Board members that we presently have several vacancies on the Board and he encouraged members to solicit friends and neighbors for volunteers to fill those vacancies.
- Chairman Minch asked the Wardens if there was a proposed closing of an Enfield Prison. They responded collectively that nothing had been decided.
- Captain Joseph Carlone from the DOC informed the Board that as of January 1, 2012 the Town of Somers will be joining a state wide Telephone Emergency Warning System. All Somers residents with a land line will automatically be enrolled in the system. Residents can expect to be contacted for a myriad of conditions including but not limited to: Amber Alerts, weather related threats, Town or State emergencies, and prison issues. For more information and contact options, residents can go to the State website ctalert.gov.

- **Review of Significant Incidents or Policy Changes in Prisons**

- Osborn CI: Warden Chapdelaine reported that a Code Red was issued on October 19th at the Osborn facility due to a small fire. Area fire departments responded quickly and the code Red was lifted shortly after.

Warden Chapdelaine also reported that due to the recent increase in population at Osborn CI, some inmates have been forced to sleep dormitory style in the gymnasium.

- Northern CI: Warden Maldanado had nothing to report.

Willard/Cybulski CI: Warden Tarascio had nothing to report.

BED COUNT:

Facility	Bed Count	Increase/Decrease	Maximum Capacity
Willard Cybulski CI	1153	-7	1104
Northern CI	368	+2	586
Osborn CI	2068	+104	None set
TOTALS	3508	+99	

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:11. (Colby/Pease)

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. LaFlamme, Recording Secretary
Town of Somers

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